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June 9, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADVANCED NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO SOLE-SOURCE  
NEGOTIATIONS WITH SYSCON JUSTICE SYSTEMS CANADA LTD. AND SYSCON  
JUSTICE SYSTEMS, INC. FOR AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO TO AGREEMENT  
NUMBER 74666 FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE 2, STAGE 1  
OF THE JAIL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

SUBJECT

This letter provides advance notification to your Board that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) intends to enter into negotiations for a sole source amendment to Agreement Number 74666 with Syscon Justice Systems Canada Ltd. (Syscon Canada) and Syscon Justice Systems, Inc. (Syscon US; together with Syscon Canada jointly and severally, Contractor) for the implementation of Phase 2, Stage 1 of the Department's Jail Information Management System (JIMS), which will add approximately \$4,400,000 to the Maximum Contract Sum.

PURPOSE

This Amendment will continue with the strategy of incrementally implementing Syscon Canada's commercial off-the-shelf functionality that provides an integrated application to efficiently and effectively manage the needs of the Department's inmate population, which currently numbers approximately 19,800 daily.

BACKGROUND

Agreement Number 74666 was entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles and Syscon Justice Systems, Ltd. (predecessor to Syscon Canada) effective

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December 2, 2003, as a sole source agreement. Also, that same date, the Board was advised that the Department developed a three-phased implementation plan to examine the various custody stand-alone systems and determine future enhancements. The Department and Contractor proceeded with Phase 1 of the implementation plan. The Contractor achieved "System Final Acceptance" (as defined under the Agreement Number 74666) of all modules included in Phase 1 of JIMS on May 23, 2008.

On February 3, 2009, your Board approved Amendment Number One to Agreement Number 74666, which reflected the internal reorganization of Syscon Justice Systems Ltd. into Syscon Canada, elected the option to extend the term of Agreement Number 74666, and increased the Maximum Contract Sum under and as defined in Agreement Number 74666. At that time, the Board was advised that Phase 2 and Phase 3 would be consolidated into a single Phase 2 implementation with multiple stages, and the Department would return to the Board to request your approval on Phase 2, Stage 1 in the near future and when subsequent stages are developed.

#### SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

The commercial off-the-shelf software currently included in JIMS is proprietary to Syscon Canada. The services required for the implementation of Phase 2, Stage 1 of JIMS would therefore be provided by personnel from Syscon US and Syscon Canada. Any customization required to meet the unique business needs of the Department can only be implemented by Syscon US and Syscon Canada, who do not license modification of its software to third parties.

The Chief Information Office has reviewed this project, its software acquisition, and is working closely with the Department on the continuing implementation of JIMS.

Pursuant to Board policy, the Department will proceed with sole-source contract negotiations in two weeks, unless otherwise instructed by your Board. Should additional information be required, your staff may contact Mona Whittouck, Contracts Manager, at (323) 526-5542.

Sincerely,



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